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Event held in conjunction with Catholic Schools Week



Photos by Cassandra Favre

As a part of Catholic Schools Week, Holy Trinity students celebrated Grandparents and Special Friends Day. Visitors began the morning with activities and quality time in the classroom, and then took part in a prayer service led by the 4th and 5th grade classes. See more photos on page 2A.

Super Bowl LII expected to bring big bucks to Hancock Co.

Officials say it would have been much more if the Saints had been playing



Echo file photo by Geoff Belcher

Silver Slipper Casino Hotel General Manager John Ferrucci and New Orleans Saints-legend Bobby Hebert at the grand opening of the Slipper's new Sports Book facility last August.

BY GEOFF BELCHER
News Editor

Super Bowl LII is scheduled for this Sunday, and even though the beloved New Orleans Saints won't be in it this year, it still bodes well for Hancock County.

"There has been a steady stream of bettors lined up at the Sports Book counter every day since the Championship games," Silver Slipper Casino Hotel General Manager John Ferrucci said Friday.

It's the first Super Bowl

since the May 2018 U.S. Supreme Court Decision that legalized sports betting.

Overall, Super Bowl LII casino sports book operations are expected to generate more than \$320 million nationwide, according to the American Gaming Association, and Hancock County is hoping for its share.

The sports book gaming will generate not only tax revenues from the Silver Slipper and Hollywood Gulf Coast,

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Man gets 60 years -- 20 suspended-- for shooting couple to death, wounding baby

BY GEOFF BELCHER
News Editor

A Bay St. Louis man pled guilty and was sentenced to 60 years in prison on Wednesday morning for the July 2016 shooting deaths of a Bay couple and wounding their baby.

"Myrick Curtis Laneaux, age 29, pled guilty at the Hancock County Courthouse in the July 2016 homicides of Kristina Quintini and Norris Demetris Mueller of Bay St. Louis," District Attorney Joel Smith said in a press release. "Laneaux pled guilty to two counts of Manslaughter and a count of aggravated assault, for also shooting Mueller and Quintini's six-month-old



Myrick Laneaux

daughter. Judge Christopher Schmidt sentenced Laneaux to three consecutive 20 prison sentences for a total of 60 years, and suspended 20 years for successful completion of 20 years of post-release supervision."

Smith said "The investigation began on July 30, 2016, when the mother of Quintini reported her missing. Bay St. Louis Police Department

responded to Quintini's apartment and found the deceased bodies of Mueller and Quintini and their six-month old daughter wrapped in a comforter with a gunshot wound to her shoulder. No weapons, DNA or fingerprints were found at the scene to identify a suspect. Witnesses reported seeing Laneaux, a close friend of the victims, at the apartment earlier that morning, and described their interactions the day before as normal."

Police identified Laneaux as a suspect, in part, because of a missing vehicle that belonged to a member of Quintini's family.

Police then began getting tips from the public which ultimately led to

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From left, Kristina Quintini and Norris Demetris Mueller.

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More scenes from Holy Trinity Catholic School's Grandparents Day activities



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Pearlington celebrates ‘Blessing of the Truck’

BY STACEY CATO
Contributing Writer

Pearlington celebrated putting into service the community's new fire truck Sunday in a world-wide traditional ceremony historically known as “the blessing of the truck.”

Firefighters gathered together with family, friends, church leaders and other firemen at West Hancock Fire Rescue's fire station to help “push back” the new custom-made engine into the fire house's bay doors. This was a practice used since the horse and buggy days because horses were incapable of backing up, so the firemen pushed the truck into the bay doors themselves.

The news of the new engine delivery couldn't have come at a better time, says West Hancock Fire Chief Glenn Sigur, because the old truck's age would soon impact the community's 7-star fire rating.

“The higher the rating, the lower it costs the community on their homeowners' insurance,” Sigur said.

West Hancock's older engine was a commercial fire truck pushing 15 years old. It continually needed maintenance, Sigur said, and would have had to have been re-certified in order to keep the current rating.

“It just made more sense to replace it,” he said. “We would have just kept dishing out loads of money on maintenance.”

Sigur said it took about a year to plan, design and build the new custom-made 2019 Pumper truck which is fit for the frontline. The engine features a Hale Qmax 1,500 gpm pump and holds 1,000 gallons of water. It has an on-board foam system which delivers a total of 30 gallons of foam with the touch of a button, a new feature for all of west Hancock County.

The new truck cost a total of \$483,000. With that, \$70,000 loaded the engine with brand new tools to help the fireman face dangerous situations, including two new state-of-the art, battery-operated jaws of life; one pair for cutting into the vehicles and one for spreading open



West Hancock Fire Rescue personnel, family and friends work to “back up” the department's new pumper truck during a traditional blessing ceremony.

Photo by Stacey Cato

any mangled cars or trucks.

“With these tools,” Sigur said, “we are able to start the extrication process much more quickly, which means the person trapped has an opportunity to get to the proper medical facility faster. We actually have everything we need now for fire fighting, for rescue

and even for HAZMAT situations and we still have a extra space!”

Since Sigur was named fire chief of West Hancock County just two years ago, the department has replaced and upgraded all of its old equipment, he said.

Now that the new

engine has been replaced, Sigur said, the station plans to move forward with its next project -- building a new rescue truck. That will help keep the wear-and

tear-down on the new pumper engine while still allowing firefighters to effectively respond to most of the wrecks and medical calls within their area.

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Gov. signs Broadband Enabling Act

SEA COAST ECHO

Gov. Phil Bryant on Wednesday signed House Bill 366 into law, an act to create the Mississippi Broadband Enabling Act.

The bill provides electric cooperatives, through affiliates or operators, ownership and/or operation of broadband systems.

In a tweet, the governor

had this to say, “The Mississippi Broadband Enabling Act grants electric cooperatives the authority to establish affiliates to serve broadband in the state. Many rural Mississippians will benefit from this law.”

The bill requires cooperatives to conduct an economic feasibility study before providing broadband services.

Coast Electric Power Association on Thursday announced that it would be conducting a study to determine if offering broadband would be beneficial to members.

According to the bill, cooperatives cannot use electric energy sales revenues to subsidize broadband services. The company may make capital investments or loans, the

bills states.

Cooperatives also cannot require members to purchase broadband services and cannot disconnect electric services due to a customer's failure to pay for broadband services, the bill states.

Read the bill in its entirety at <http://billstatus.ls.state.ms.us/2019/pdf/history/HB/HB0366.xml>.

Police say girlfriend lied when she told them she was kidnapped and beaten

BY STACEY CATO
Contributing Writer

A Waveland woman is facing criminal charges after police say she lied about being kidnapped and held hostage by her boyfriend.

Courtney Tassin, 21, is facing one felony count of filing a false police report after she led investigators to believe her boyfriend kidnapped and held her hostage for more than five hours at their Waveland apartment last year.

Waveland police described the staged event as a “disturbing act of domestic violence” at the time the incident was reported.

Tassin had told investigators that her boyfriend, 21-year-old Dajon Lorenzo

Ramsey, had woken up accusing her of “cheating.”

According to Waveland Police Chief Mike Prendergast, Tassin explained in horrifying detail how quickly the situation allegedly spiraled out of control, leading to what was described as “a real life nightmare.” Tassin reported that she was forced to remain unclothed as Ramsey allegedly repeatedly beat and choked her.

During the alleged assault, Tassin claimed Ramsey had not only used his hands, but also a board to strike her.

Tassin also told police she was not allowed to put clothes on in fear she would leave the home for help. She said when she attempted to escape, Ramsey allegedly grabbed

her and forced her back inside. She also told officers he had taken her cellphone in a further attempt to keep her from reaching out for help.

About five hours after the alleged assault had supposedly begun, Tassin told officers Ramsey was due for work and tried to smooth things over with her before leaving.

She told investigators he even gave back her cellphone before heading out.

Apparently, it was then, police say, that Tassin grabbed her five-month-old child, who was also in the home at the time, and headed to the police station with her mother to report the incident.

Emergency medical technicians were called to evaluate Tassin while she

was at the police department.

Waveland police charged Ramsey with one count of kidnapping -- abduction; one count of aggravated assault -- domestic violence; one count of simple assault -- causing bodily injury; and one count of obstruction of emergency services.

Ramsey was booked into the Hancock County Jail later that same day in lieu of bond.

Prendergast said Tassin went into the police department about a week later and admitted to the false statement. She was arrested Jan. 22 and transported to the Hancock County jail. She was released later the same day on a \$1,000 bond, according to jail records.

Palazzo Announces VA Claims Clinic and Information Day

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Washington, DC - Congressman Steven Palazzo (MS-4) announced today that his office will hold a two-day veterans information and claims assistance clinic on February 21 and 22 at the Elks Lodge in Pascagoula.

“Once again, my office will team up with the Jackson VA Regional

Office to better serve our south Mississippi veterans. During this claims clinic, veterans can come speak directly with agency representatives and learn more about the resources that are available to them. I believe this is a wonderful event to give back to those who have dedicated their lives to serving our country.”

Event Details

February 21, 12:00 p.m.

- 7:00 p.m.

February 22, 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Pascagoula Elks Lodge #1120

303 Krebs Ave,

Pascagoula MS 39567

This event is open for all south Mississippi veterans.

The Biloxi VA will run a shuttle every hour from building 3 to transport veterans to and from the event. The transportation

service will begin 30 minutes before the event.

There will be agents from multiple VA programs and services on site for enrollment and education. Additionally, there will be several other veteran related organizations featured at the clinic.

For more information regarding this event contact Congressman Palazzo's office at 228-864-7670.

100 Men Hall Celebrates Black History Month with a Film Festival

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The 100 Men Hall will host a film festival to celebrate Black History month, featuring three different films on race in America. All three films that look at race in America from a different angle. You are invited to stay after the

film for a group discussion. Open to the public. The 100 Men Hall's mission is to promote and preserve the hall, a centuries' old nexus of social justice and artistic expression for a population historically denied access to both, in the Jim Crow South. Today, the Hall fosters civic participation in a variety of causes to promote the greater common good, supporting community activities that move us and the dialogue on race and equity further along.

Feb 19 – 7PM Traces of the Trade: Stories from the deep North

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A Maritime History of Hancock County 1820-1860: The Era of Sailing Ships

Wind-powered sailing ships and boats were the practical means of transportation in Hancock County during its early period from 1820-1860. Schooners and small sloops and cat-boats were the principal vessels carrying freight and passengers before the advent of steamboats.

This maritime history will describe the infrastructure of that shipping commerce, the products of trade, and the critical role the port of New Orleans played in this story of Hancock County's early economy. Early settlers utilized the waterways of the Pearl River and the relatively shallow Mississippi Sound of the Gulf Coast as the preferred routes of commerce and transportation. Dotted all along the Gulf Coast and at the mouth of every river, boatyards built, maintained, and repaired hundreds of wooden marine vessels. Boat building by skilled craftsmen required framing, planking, and caulking of the wooden hull with naval stores before rigging the sails. In fact, commercial fishermen, net makers, sail makers, carpenters, pilots, caulkers, and sawyers were very busy along the coast. Furthermore, this vibrant economy flourished because of the skilled craftsmen of the slave mariners and artisans. These sailing vessels could travel from Mobile to New Orleans in the relatively protected waters inland of a string of barrier islands including Dauphin, Cat, Horn, and Ship. On the Pearl River, crops and timber floated downstream on flatboats and rafts to Gainesville and Pearlington and were then transferred to schooners for transport to New Orleans. In 1831, lighthouses were built on the mainland of Pass Christian and offshore on Cat Island to guide sailors at night or in the fog. Contrary to popular belief, the Mississippi River was not the preferred approach to New Orleans by these sailors and merchants because ascending this tortuous river required favorable southern winds and considerable sailing skills and patience. Instead these local sailors preferred a back door approach via Bayou St. John, which had been discovered in 1699 by the French explorer Jean Baptiste LeMoyne, Sieur Bienville. Not only was this approach closer for local traffic from the Mississippi Sound, but it was also easier to travel across Lake Pontchartrain and avoid the strong currents of the Mississippi River. In 1794 the governor of Louisiana, Baron Carondelet, built a canal from the head of Bayou St. John to the back of the French Quarter which was known as the Old Basin Canal. By the early 1820's, eighty local vessels mostly from the Gulf Coast were reported using this canal daily. In the 1830's a larger New Basin Canal was dug in New Orleans that accommodated even more ships and boats because of the increased local commerce from the Gulf Coast. In fact, sailing vessels were an integral part of life in Hancock County in this era, and many of them were built by onetime shipbuilders



HANCOCK HISTORY
by James Keating MD

Wicker: 5G Technology Presents Opportunities for Mississippi

New Networks Could Enable Improved Connections and Innovations for Rural America



From the Senate

by Roger Wicker
U.S. Senator

The fifth generation of high-speed wireless networks, commonly known as 5G, is expected to increase data speeds up to 100 times faster than today's mobile technology. This improvement will not only make our phones and internet-connected products run faster, but also revolutionize the way information is shared between people, businesses, and devices.

In the United States, 5G networks are projected to result in the creation of more than 3 million new jobs, generate as much as \$275 billion in new investments from the wireless industry, and add up to \$500 billion to the U.S. economy over the next decade.

Given the enormous potential of this emerging technology and the importance of connectivity to rural Mississippians, 5G deployment and technology innovation will be the subject of my first hearing as chairman of the Senate Commerce Committee. I am hopeful 5G will bring opportunities to improve the lives of the citizens in our state.

Jobs for Mississippi

work remotely – away from congested metropolitan areas. This option could reduce the “brain drain,” which costs our state some of our most talented students after graduation. Better connectivity and data could also revolutionize agriculture and address other challenges to make living in rural areas even more attractive.

Modern farming operations increasingly seek higher levels of efficiency. Networked rainfall sensors, advanced GPS mapping technology, and other internet-connected equipment allow farmers to maximize crop yields using less fertilizer and water.

With nearly 37,000 farms covering more than 10 million acres and generating more than \$7 billion in economic activity, Mississippi could reap major rewards from 5G-enabled networks. My “Precision Agriculture Connectivity Act,” which was signed into law last year, will help make these ambitions a reality by expanding broadband availability to more cropland and ranchland.

Improving Rural

Health and Safety

Data delivered over wireless networks can also be a game-changer for emergency response and telehealth services, equipping first responders with life-saving information. As 5G tools improve bandwidth and reduce delays, new applications, like portable sensors, “wearables,” and unmanned systems, will become more commonplace. These tools will help save lives by reducing emergency response times, particularly when a patient is far away from a major hospital.

Thanks to the work of many talented individuals at the University of Mississippi Medical Center (UMMC) and the Raspet Flight Laboratory at Mississippi State University, these sci-fi predictions of the future are quickly becoming a reality.

These efforts coincide with the work of the UMMC Telehealth Center of Excellence, which has already been improving outcomes for patients by

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A plea to Waveland Mayor Smith

Dear Editor,
An Open Letter to Mayor Mike Smith:
We are writing to express our concern with the process that is currently underway to replace Lisa Planchard, our former City Clerk.

As we all know, Lisa was well qualified for the position as a well educated and experienced accountant and licensed CPA.

In your campaign for the 2018 Municipal Elections in Waveland, you expressed to the voters your total commitment to take Waveland forward and improve our city in every way you could to the best of your ability because you love this city and want to see it succeed.

We had no reason not to believe you. But, your current position of advocating for your arbitrary appointment of a City Clerk with no effort invested in a

LETTER  to the EDITOR

OUR LETTERS POLICY 

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search for the best we can find with the credentials and ability of the clerk who retired, is truly an enigma to us and many of the citizens of Waveland.
It is our understanding

that you have expressed that you prefer to hire "from within rather than hiring "outsiders."
This is certainly a departure from May 23, 2015, when you were in

office only 6 months, and the City was in need of a Comptroller. You and the Board of Aldermen ran an ad in the Sea Coast Echo (May 23, 2015) outlining the professional background, education, and skills you were seeking for "the variety of routine and complex financial duties of the position." That ad resulted in the City acquiring Ron Duckworth for the position of Comptroller. We would like to compliment you and the Board for your diligence in providing the taxpayers of Waveland with someone with his credentials to serve us and protect our finances. Ron is one of those "outsiders" you currently seem to prefer to avoid, but have also expressed as" the best Comptroller Waveland has ever had since you have been in city government."

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Old Town Presbyterian Church celebrated the arrival of two new pastors on Sunday, Jan. 20. Rev. Joe Pack Arnold, left, and Dr. Barron Banks will serve the congregation, located at 114 Ulman Ave. in Bay St. Louis, where services are held each Sunday at 10 a.m.

Ships

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who used them for personal transportation. A variety of products were produced for trade in Hancock County during this time. In 1831 Pearlington was a small port but had a mercantile store owned by Andrew Hawthorne. This town traded firewood and cotton with New Orleans in exchange for supplies such as flour, sugar, tools, and manufactured goods which were needed by the settlers. These early settlers were farmers and breeders raising cattle, sheep, and hogs. Corn and rice were the principal crops before 1837 in Hancock county. But in the 1840's cotton emerged as the major crop in Mississippi. Before being shipped to New Orleans, cotton from the back country and from up river from large plantations above the 31st parallel was processed at "the gin" located between Pearlington and Logtown. Entrepreneur Bill Whitfield moved to Hancock County from Florida in 1845, made money cutting firewood, saved enough to buy a few calves, and in time built up a herd of cattle. Later, he moved to Gainesville where he operated a store and also acquired two riverboats for business. Forest products began to emerge in the 1840's in Hancock County as a principal industry.

Logs were cut along the banks of the Pearl River and floated down to sites such as Logtown, Gainesville, and

Pearlington. This industry provided employment for many workers cutting and shipping firewood. Two reasons caused the local shipbuilding and lumber mills to grow: the number of ships needed to transport the firewood and the nearness of Hancock County to New Orleans. With the steam engine powered saw instead of earlier, more primitive handsaws, the lumber industry advanced from firewood and charcoal to lumber building material. In fact, by 1840 there were ten sawmills in the county. The production of charcoal needed by blacksmiths and homes in New Orleans developed a prosperous business in the area now know as "The Kiln" on the Jourdan River. The number of kilns, ovens for burning, baking, or drying wood among other things, also developed an industry known as naval stores which produced pitch, tar, and turpentine, a product necessary for building and maintaining wooden ships. Bill Poitevant was an entrepreneur who came to Pearlington in 1829 from North Carolina and made a fortune operating sailing ships on the Pearl River and the Gulf Coast. He built a general store and a lumber mill in Gainesville. These types of merchants and cotton planters were the most prosperous citizens of the Pearl River valley in that time frame. But ninety percent of the settlers in antebellum Hancock County lived in houses made of logs. These homes were often just one room cabins, hardly a lifestyle of "moonlight and magnolias" depicted in Gone with the Wind. The

port of New Orleans played an important role in this maritime history of Hancock County. Not only was it the market destination for most of our products for trade, but it was also a critical source of capital and insurance for entrepreneurial ventures. Restriction of trade with other countries during the European colonization period limited the development of trade and commerce in the city and surrounding territory such as the Gulf Coast. However, once the area became part of the United States, things changed. After the Louisiana Purchase, there was a large migration of settlers to the Mississippi River Valley and merchants to the Crescent City. The port under American ownership promptly experienced expanded trade with other American ports such as Boston, Philadelphia, and New York. These trading vessels were sloops and schooners of 250 tons. There were no better seamen than American sailors. In this port, domestic American commerce exceeded foreign commerce until 1830 when foreign commerce became dominant. Sailing ship visits to New Orleans in 1846 included 1,997 ships and brigs and 875 schooners. From 1840—1860 New Orleans commerce centered on cotton and slaves. The banks were overflowing with cash in these flush times. Although Hancock County did not succeed in cotton production, it benefited from the excess capital available in New Orleans for investment by its merchants, planters, and mill owners. The city built a banking system with a

Letter

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We can assure you and the Board of Aldermen that the position of City Clerk, the highest appointed position in City government according to our form of government in Waveland, requires no less than the credentials you sought for Comptroller, and many more. The legal responsibilities of City Clerk can be easily reviewed in the Handbook for Municipal Clerks as formulated by the Mississippi legislature. The City Clerk has to be prepared to stand in for the Comptroller, and vice versa. There is no doubt that Ron Duckworth has the credentials, education, and experience to execute both positions. We should all desire Lisa Planchard's replacement to be able to do the same from day one to continue the smooth

operation of the City's legal and financial business.

While the Waveland City Charter states that the Mayor has the authority to appoint the office of Clerk, it also states that if a vacancy of that

position should occur, the Mayor shall seek the advice of the Board of Aldermen. (page 23, amended, 1988 and 1995.)

Since you set the precedent as Mayor in your first term to seek the best officers you could obtain to serve the City of Waveland regarding the everyday handling of our tax dollars, we are imploring you to continue this admirable position, and advertise for a City Clerk with the same credentials as Lisa Planchard in an effort to continue the competency and professionalism to which the citizens of Waveland have become accustomed.

We and many others, can see no logical reason for our City leaders to do

otherwise in view of the fact that yours and the Board's first obligation is to the taxpayers of Waveland.

As taxpayers, property owners, and residents of Waveland, we remain,

Sincerely yours,
Mr. and Mrs. Alan P. Noonan, Sr.

Hancock County Republican Women Club

The Hancock County Women's Club will meet on Thursday Feb. 7, at Stennis Airport, 2nd floor Multi-Purpose Room. The Meet & Greet is at 10:30 a.m. with the meeting starting at 11 a.m. There will be a Dutch Treat lunch immediately following. All are invited.



Please join us at Hancock Women's Center along with Chief of Investigations David Allen of the Waveland Police Department on **Wednesday, Jan. 30 at 6 p.m.**

Chief Allen will discuss recent cases to show the dangers our children face and their warning signs. During this frank, PARENTS-ONLY discussion, parents will learn what to look for when monitoring their children's electronics and ways of dealing with issues that arise.

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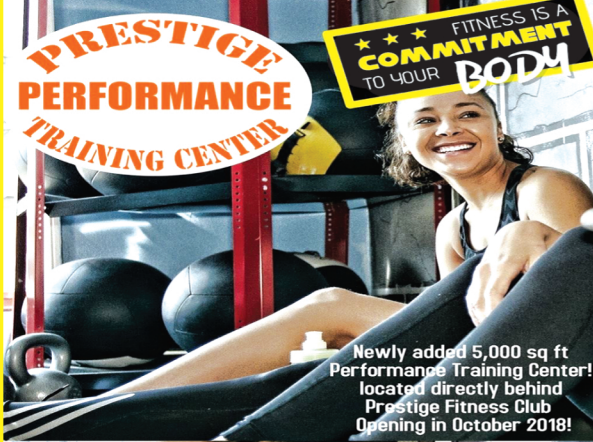
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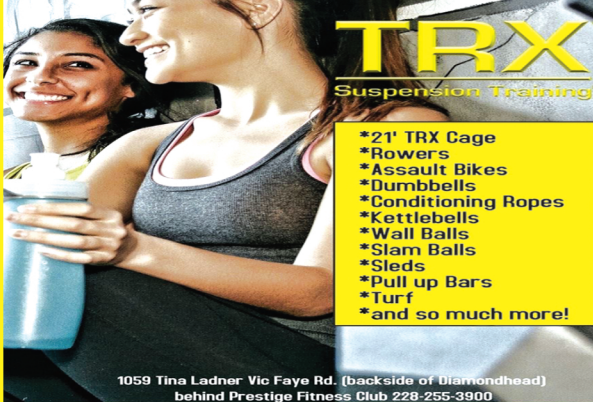
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help these organizations expand their services to more areas.

These are but a few examples of how 5G technology should benefit our state and nation. As the Commerce Committee considers ways to enhance 5G expansion in the United States, I am mindful of the

many challenges facing the deployment of this new technology including regulatory hurdles, international competition, and data privacy and security concerns. I look forward to representing the interests of Mississippians as these important discussions continue.

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Obituaries

**RITA BOH FRAERING
ESTHER LETHIA TROSCLAIR
WILLIAM "BILL" BENJAMIN WHITFIELD**

**RITA BOH
FRAERING**

Rita Boh Fraering, age 86, native of Bay St. Louis, Mississippi and resident of Pensacola, Florida passed away peacefully and surrounded by loved ones on Friday, January 25, 2019. Rita devoted her life to her family. She truly lived to the fullest through simple pleasures; she will be best remembered for offering great conversation and comfort food to everyone who

walked through her famously always-open kitchen door. Preceded in death by her husband, John Fraering; her parents, Roger and Rita Boh; her brothers, Roger Jr., Charlie and Bob; and her identical twin sister (older by 4 minutes!), Margaret.

She is survived by her 5 children: Cindy Wolfe Scott, husband Brad; Marion J. Wolfe III, wife Maria; Nancy Wolfe Harris, husband Keanan; Leslie Wolfe Youd, hus-

band Robby; Cathy Wolfe; 9 grandchildren; 6 great grandchildren; and countless other family and friends.

Rita's boundless spirit and love will be deeply missed by all.

A Celebration of Life will be held in her honor at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 9, 2019 at the Longfellow Civic Center in Bay Saint Louis, MS.

In lieu of flowers, her family has requested donations to the Hancock County (MS) Animal Shelter on her behalf.

ESTHER LETHIA TROSCLAIR

Esther Lethia Trosclair, 61, of Bay St. Louis, MS passed away Thursday, January 31, 2019 in Bay St. Louis, MS.

She was a wonderful and loving mother, daughter, sister, grandmother, great grandmother and aunt who will be sadly missed by her family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, William Trosclair, Sr.; father, Joseph Dean, Sr.; brother, Jimmy Dion; mother-in-law, Lue Brown Trosclair and father-in-law John Trosclair.

She is survived by her three sons, William Trosclair, Jr. of Bay St. Louis; Peter Trosclair of Gulfport and Joshua Trosclair of Dulac, LA; four daughters, Lethia Trosclair (Lamont Roberts), Elizabeth Trosclair, Cherie Trosclair and Catrie Trosclair all of Bay St. Louis; mother, Vernell Dean of Houma, LA; six brothers, Joseph Dean, Jr. of Houma, LA, Randy Dean (Juanita) of Houma, LA, Danny Dean (Judy) of Houma, LA, Darryl Dean of New Orleans, LA; Johnny Dean (Tracey) of

Houma, LA and Tommy Dean (Stephanie) of TX; four sisters, Cathy Dion of Seattle Washington, Donnia Verdin (Ernest) of Houma, LA, Loretta Dean of Houma, LA and Cheryl Dean of Houma, LA; eight grandchildren, Seaira, Kamiah, James, Bradley, Sarah, William III, Aurora and Annie; one great-grandchild, Sapphirah and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be held Saturday, February 2, 2019 at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS from 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS is in charge of the arrangements.



**WILLIAM "BILL"
BENJAMIN
WHITFIELD**

William "Bill" Benjamin Whitfield, 81, of Bay St. Louis, MS passed away Tuesday, January 29, 2019 in Bay St. Louis, MS.

Bill was a lifelong resident of Bay St. Louis and a member of the Main Street United Methodist Church. Retired vice president of Sam Whitfield Timber Co. Proudly served three times as Bay Waveland Yacht Club Commodore, honored as 1988 King of Nereids Carnival Organization. Bill was a well-known fisherman and hunter, never divulging his favorite spots.

He was preceded in



death by his daughter, Elizabeth Ann Whitfield and parents, Sam and Ada Dochterman Whitfield.

He is survived by his wife, Joyce Gilbert Whitfield of Bay St. Louis; son, James Robert Whitfield (Janet) of Franklin, TN; brother, Samuel Robert Whitfield, Sr. (Susan) of Gulfport, MS; three grandchildren, Caitlin

Stanley (Austin), Alexandra Whitfield (Bryce) Fitzgerald and Louisa Whitfield; one great-granddaughter, Magnolia Layne; niece, Amanda Whitfield Walters and nephew, Samuel Robert Whitfield, Jr. Visitation will be held Saturday, February 2, 2019 at Main Street United Methodist Church, 162 Main St., Bay St. Louis, MS from 10:00 a.m. with a Memorial Service at noon.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS oversees the arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting to make donations to Main Street Methodist Church or a local charity of your choice.

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local officials say, but also revenues from motels, restaurants and gas stations with the influx of out-of-town guests.

"There is a degree of excitement as you would

expect with any Super Bowl event," Ferrucci said, "but nothing compared to what it would have been had the Saints made it to the Super Bowl.

"Most of our most dedicated guests and Saints fans are not betting on the game and many have said they don't even plan to watch. The Silver Slipper will be showing the game on the big

screen and the football squares will be available as we always do.

"Next year, it may be very different."

Super Bowl LII is scheduled to kick off at 5:30 p.m. this Sunday, with the New England Patriots taking on the Los Angeles Rams.

The Patriots are two-and-a-half-point favorites in the game and the over/under is 57.

Deaths

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Laneaux's arrest.

One witness told police that Laneaux came to her home in Gulfport and that he was "frantic," according to testimony at the preliminary hearing in 2016.

Laneaux reportedly told the woman "I shot Demet and Christina, I didn't mean to do it. I didn't mean to do it. It was all an accident."

"Laneaux later told

several individuals he shot the victims during a dispute over a small amount of money," ADA Chris Daniel -- who prosecuted the case -- said in the press release. "This account was substantiated with cell phone records recovered by investigators."

Laneaux was arrested a few days after the murders.

At sentencing on Wednesday, Smith said, "Judge Schmidt acknowledged the work of counsel in reaching a resolution of charges consistent with the evidence. During the plea, Laneaux described the argument

that occurred between the individuals that led to the crime, and that the child was shot as a result of his reckless acts."

Smith said Laneaux apologized "several times to the families" of his victims and said "I pray that God will forgive me, and I hope you will find in your hearts the ability to forgive me."

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HCPHC's Bill Cork honored as Top CEO

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Hancock County, Mississippi - Bill Cork, CEO of the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission (HCPHC), has been named one of Mississippi's Top CEOs for 2019 by Mississippi Business Journal.

Cork oversees the commission that owns and operates Stennis International Airport, Port Bienville Industrial Park and Port Bienville Shortline Railroad, with a 2019 budget of more than \$47.7 million. He is also the lead economic-development official for the region, which is home to NASA's John C. Stennis Space Center (SSC). "When I took this position," Cork said, "I was drawn by the challenge of capitalizing the untapped potential for industrial advancement. This included broadening the reach of Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission's assets to bolster regional infrastructure and enhance quality of life. "Our industries have committed to more than \$400 million in private investment and have added over 600 jobs in the last three years. This, in addition to increasing the industrial tax base by 20% since 2016, puts us well on the way to that target." Since Cork arrived in Mississippi in 2016, he has become one of the leading public voices in defense, aerospace, and chemicals



Bill Cork

development in the state. He has been working closely with Stennis Space Center, the regional players and the Mississippi Development Authority to advance the cluster development in these areas. Robert Kane, HCPHC president, was pleased with Cork's recognition: "This award only justifies our confidence in the range of accomplishments Bill Cork brings to the table. His background makes him uniquely qualified to spearhead the exponential growth we envision in Hancock County and the entire region. "We're very proud Cork's achievements have been recognized so quickly by Mississippi's business community." The Mississippi Business Journal website notes the honor recognizes leaders

around the state who demonstrate excellence among the top executives in their field — CEOs who have helped their companies (or organizations) achieve strong growth and success and have made a profound impact on their company and community. About HCPHC As the economic development authority for Hancock County, Mississippi, the Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission owns and operates Port Bienville Industrial Park and Stennis International Airport — in addition to fostering business investment for John C. Stennis Space Center, NASA's premier rocket testing facility. For more information, visit www.portairspace.com.

Registration now open for BSL Half Marathon and 10K

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Registration is open for the 2019 Bay Saint Louis Half Marathon & 10K in Old Town Bay Saint Louis, MS on March 30, 2019! You can register at <http://bit.ly/2019BAYHALF> while prices are low! Reserve your shirt and medal

The 6th Annual Bay Saint Louis Half Marathon and 10K in Bay St. Louis, will start at 7:00 AM near the intersection of Main Street and Beach Blvd. near the Hancock Bank Building. This race is walker-friendly with a 4-hour timing limit and the opportunity for all participants to finish.

This event continues to be one of South Mississippi's largest endurance races. BSL Races will continue this signature annual event along the beautiful coasts of Pass Christian, Bay St. Louis and encourages everyone to come out and take part in what is sure to be a great time.

The course has a gorgeous route starting in Old Town Bay St. Louis, continuing along historic Beach Boulevard, crossing the Bay Bridge into the scenic Pass Christian waterfront, and finishing in downtown Bay St. Louis with a fun-filled after party. The breathtaking view of the Gulf of Mexico with the pleasant breeze makes this race one to remember.

Rum Kitchen advances to final round of national restaurant association educational foundation awards

On behalf of the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation, we are so pleased to inform that John and Starr Chapman is one of this year's state winners for the Restaurant Neighbor Award and will advance to the next round where we will select the national winners", says Khadija Campbell of the NRA. The Chapmans were

selected based upon their creation and implementation of The Hemingway Festival benefiting The Ground Zero Hurricane Museum of Waveland. The Festival is designed to bring people and inspire businesses to return to Coleman Avenue.

The Hemingway Festival will be held July 19 and 20, 2019 including The Patron's Party on Friday, No Bull Fun Run,

Parade, and the Glow Ride at dusk on Saturday. This year The Festival is adding a literary component with scholarship awards for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places open to any Hancock County high school student. Please visit the Museum's web page for more information.

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Lady Tigers & Rocks ADVANCE TO SECOND ROUND OF PLAYOFFS

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

The area's entrants in the MHSAA state soccer playoffs were cut in half after first round matchups earlier this week.

The Bay High Tigers (11-11-3) fell on the road against Richland 3-2 in "kicks from the mark" while the Hancock Lady Hawks (14-6-1) fell 3-0 on the road at Brandon. The two teams played Monday to avoid the inclement weather. These two losses eliminated them from the state playoffs and left St. Stanislaus and the Bay High Lady Tigers.

The two remaining squads were division champions which earned them a home playoff game in the first round.

The Lady Tigers (12-9-2) hosted the Richland Lady Rangers in the first round of the Class 4A girls state soccer playoffs at Joe D. McCullough Stadium/Tank Williams Field on Wednesday.

Bay High opened the scoring in the first half with a goal by Breann Haynes. It would be the mark that remained true as the Lady Tigers held off the Lady Rangers in the second half for the win.

Bay High head coach Colby Adam commented, "This was a hard fought game both ways. Richland is a very skilled team. We were able to capitalize early on a corner kick and then played well, defensively, the remainder of the game."

With the win, the Lady Tigers advance to play Poplarville on the road in the second round today at 2pm.

The St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws (14-6-4) hosted Florence on Wednesday in the first round of the state soccer playoffs at the Brother Philip Memorial Athletic Complex.

The Rocks posted a pair of goals, one in each half, to tally the 2-0 shutout victory.

Austin Schruoff scored the Rocks first goal in the first half while Brandon Elkins added the second goal off a corner kick with about 21 minutes remaining in the game.

SSC head coach Danny



Photo courtesy of Dr. Amy Coyne

The Bay High Lady Tigers gather together after their 1-0 first round win over the Lady Rangers of Richland in the Class 4A state soccer playoffs.



Photo by Richer Gleber

SSC defender Kade Wittmann saves a goal in the first round of the Class 4A state soccer playoffs. The Rocks defeated Florence 2-0 to advance to the second round against East Central today at 2pm on the road.



Photo by Richer Gleber

SSC's Max Matsenbaugh pushes the ball upfield against Florence on Wednesday night. The Rocks won the game 2-0 and advance to second round action today against East Central on the road.

Patton stated, "We were able to settle in toward the end of the first half. Stephen Bonck returned to the lineup tonight after an injury and played very well despite missing time.

Now, we turn our attention to East Central this weekend on the road. We will have to be ready to play." The Rocks travel to the East Central Hornets

today for their second round game at 2pm.

Games on tap this week

SATURDAY

- Girls Soccer: Bay High Lady Tigers at Poplarville, 2 p.m.
- Boys Soccer: St. Stanislaus at East Central, 2 p.m.

TUESDAY

- Girls Basketball: Bay High at Hancock, 6 p.m.
- Boys Basketball: Bay High at Hancock, 7:30 p.m.
- Girls Basketball: Pass Christian at Long Beach, 6 p.m.
- Boys Basketball: Pass Christian at Long Beach, 7:30 p.m.
- Girls Basketball: Richton at Our Lady Academy, 5 p.m.
- Girls Soccer: Florence/Vanceleave winner vs Bay High/Poplarville winner, Location/Time TBD
- Boys Soccer: Richland/Poplarville winner vs St. Stanislaus/East Central winner, Location/Time TBD



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Pass sweeps Hancock on hardwood, Bay splits with East Central

BY JOSEPH W. GEX, II
STAFF WRITER

The area high school basketball season is now in the midst of the final week of the regular season as respective division tournaments begin on February 12th.

The Hancock Hawks (6-17, 1-4) traveled across the bridge to Pass Christian on Tuesday evening to lock horns with the Pirates in a non-division matchup.

The Pirates (7-19, 4-6) swept a pair of varsity games against the Hawks.

The two teams matched shot for shot almost in the first period of the contest with Pass Christian nursing a 7-5 lead at the end of the first frame.

The Pirates went on a 18-7 run in the second period to pull away and not look back as they enjoyed a 25-14 advantage at intermission.

Both teams exchanged baskets throughout the second half as Pass Christian held on for the win 52-40.

Hancock head coach Derrick Willis commented, "We played well the first period only to have the sec-

ond period be our Achilles heel. We had three consecutive possessions end in turnovers that Pass Christian turned into points which ultimately put us in a big hole. It was a two-possession game at that point. The Pirates capitalized to get to the line and we only made it there half of what they did. Give credit to Pass Christian. They did what they needed to do to get the win."

The Pirates were 16-of-31 from the line and Hancock was 12-for-16. While both teams were able to score almost the same from the line, it was the sheer number of trips to the line that inhibited the Hawks with foul trouble.

Hancock was led by Blaine Knight with 12 points followed by Trey Abney with nine points. The Pirates were paced by Andrew Moffett with 19 points followed by LJ Henderson with 13 and Josh Lamberth with 10 points.

The Pass Christian Lady Pirates (20-5, 4-4) defeated the Hancock Lady Hawks (14-11, 2-3) 28-20 but game details were not available.



SSC forward Charlie Whaley (#21) attempts to block a shot by Pass Christian's Koby Hathorn (#1) during Monday's game between the two squads. The Rocks won the game 43-38.

The Bay High Tigers split a pair of games on Tuesday with East Central. The Lady Tigers (4-15, 2-6) fell to East Central but game details were not available.

The Tigers (15-10, 8-2) jumped out to a 14-4 lead in the first period and pushed the score to 32-18 by halftime en route to a

61-45 victory over the Hornets.

Bay High head coach Randy McCrory stated, "We had a really good start which led to us being able to control some things. We were able to control the tempo and force them to do things they are not used to doing."

Kaleb Leavens and Kyren Galloway each scored 15 points to lead Bay High followed by Elijah Curry with 11 points. Micah O'Guinn scored 19 points to pace East Central followed by Elijah Newsome with 10.

On Monday, OLA (3-13, 1-6) fell to Collins 51-31.

St. Stanislaus (13-13, 8-

Photo by Richard Gleber

Coast Trash: Receptacles will keep our water cleaner

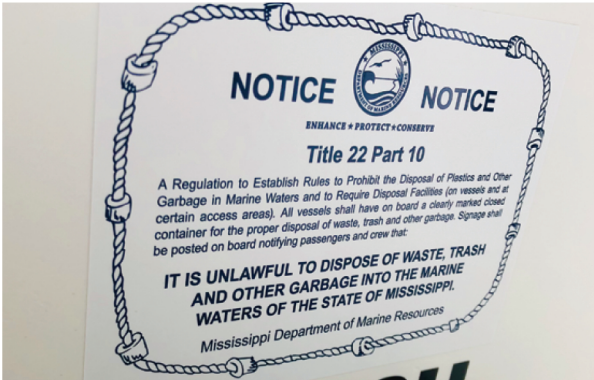
I did actually find some pretty water on my last trip. I made it over to the Louisiana Marsh. We were fly fishing in the 3 Mile and 9 Mile areas. We did see a pile of redfish tailing, pushing wakes, and cruis-

writing is not very neat, so I had decals made. My buddy Glenn Ladner with Dixie Signs(228-255-5548) in the back of Diamondhead does great work. The covered bucket,

or the storage bin is to keep the trash from blowing out of our boats. I don't think there are that many litter bugs out there. I do think a lot of us have trash blow out of our boats/trucks and

not even know it. It's a good thing, it's also the LAW!!! Get your stickers, label your receptacles, and let's keep that trash outta the water.

As always, have fun and



SHORE THING FISHING REPORT

by Capt. Sonny Schindler

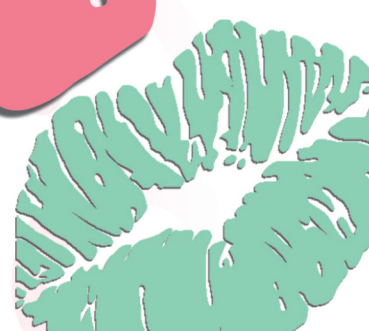
ing banks. Those were some of the spookiest reds I have ever encountered. Honestly, I was just happy to see clean water. The wind direction has changed several times and we've had more rain, so there is no telling if the water is still good there? Gotta go to know I guess?

I did make it to the last Commission on Marine Resources meeting. The issue of trash, and trash receptacles did come up. Chief of Marine Patrol, Mr Keith Davis wants our waters cleaner. He let it be known that ALL boaters will be given citations for not having Title 22 stickers, and clearly marked trash receptacles(No more warnings). A bucket with a lid marked "Trash", along with the Title 22 sticker, visibly placed is all it takes. You can get your FREE Title 22 sticker at just about any bait shop, marine hardware, or Harbor on the MS Gulf Coast. I'm fairly certain the Department of Marine Resources headquarters in back bay Biloxi has one or two to spare also...

Personally, I don't like the bucket. I've had too many blow out, and they always get in my way. I've dedicated one of my boats latched storage bins, strictly for trash. My hand



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HCS D'S TEACHERS OF THE YEAR 2019

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Hancock County School district is pleased to announce the Teacher of the Year for each school and the district.

Superintendent of Education, Alan Dedeaux commented, "Hancock County School District is blessed with outstanding teachers and administrators. The teachers selected as the Teachers of the Year this year are a wonderful representation of our team. We are proud of them and congratulate each and every one of them."

HANCOCK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TEACHER OF THE YEAR: TRINA SHAW

Trina Shaw, a fifth grade, math, science, and social studies teacher at Hancock North Central Elementary has been selected as the Hancock County School District Teacher of the Year for 2018-2019.

Mrs. Shaw was notified of her selection with a personal visit and an announcement made by Superintendent Alan Dedeaux to her and her students.

Ms. Shaw attended HNCE as a student and graduated from Hancock High School in 1998. She began her teaching career as a teacher assistant in 2006. While working at HNCE, Trina attended William Carey University where she graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education in 2008. She returned to William Carey and earned a Master's in Elementary Education.

When asked what influenced her to become a teacher, Mrs. Shaw shared that she always knew she wanted to be a teacher. "When I was a child, I



Alison McCraw

would play school with my younger sister and brother. I would always pretend that I was my favorite teacher at the time and do exactly what she would do in class. I love to spend time getting to know and develop relationships with the students. My favorite moments are when I see the connection my students make when they have learned something new or when a topic that was generally considered tough is understood for the first time. These light bulb moments are what make this job the sweetest for me."

Mrs. Shaw has previously taught first and fourth grade. She has served as grade level department chair and is currently science and math PLC facilitator as well as Beta Club sponsor. She attended the Ron Clark Academy in Atlanta, GA this summer and Whole Brain Training in Las Vegas, NV last summer. The engagement strategies

learned at these trainings have been implemented into her classroom and shared throughout the school. Mrs. Shaw firmly believes that student engagement is the key to success.

Mrs. Chrissy Cuevas, Principal of HNCE, stated, "She is a phenomenal teacher. Her content knowledge and delivery is amazing, and she understands her kids' needs and develops relationships with them while always holding them to high expectations."

Teachers chosen as Teacher of the Year by other schools in the district include:

• **Brittany Holifield** teaches 3rd grade at West Hancock Elementary. Brittany graduated high school with honors from St. Scholastica Academy, an all-girls Catholic prep school, in Covington, LA. From there, she graduated from the University of Southern Mississippi with



Brittany Holifield



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a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education with a Reading and Social Studies endorsement.

Brittany's teaching styles and techniques are ever-changing as she is always trying to learn more and improve. She believes that while one may have a class of 21 3rd graders, you truly have 21 different individuals who all learn in a different way and at a different pace. She loves to integrate her subjects as best she can, get her students talking and moving, and preparing her students for real-world application.

What does she love most about teaching? Asking a teacher their favorite part about teaching is like asking a child their favorite candy. While she may not love every little detail that comes with the job, there are many facades that work together to making this profession a magical experience. The excitement in planning a lesson that you know will



Tonya Perniciaro



Tina Ellzey

both engage and teach, the implementation of this lesson that allows her enthusiasm to spread around the room, the students' faces when they truly grasp a concept or are having fun learning something new, being able to be the constant in that one student's life, and knowing that you are making a difference.

• **Tonya Perniciaro**, a Kindergarten teacher, was named Teacher of the Year for East Hancock Elementary. Tonya is a graduate of Walthall Academy, Class of 1980. She earned an Associate's degree from Southwest Mississippi Junior College and a bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from the University of Southern Mississippi.

Tonya was influenced to teach through her experience working in a day care. After working with young children, she realized she wanted to dedicate my life to helping children learn. The thing



Daren Reinhart



Andy Perniciaro

she loves most about teaching is the children and that they are always happy to see her. Her approach to teaching is to try to teach children as much as possible while making it fun along the way. I always hope this will make them love coming to school.

• **Daren Reinhart**, a speech pathologist, was named Teacher of the Year for South Hancock Elementary. Daren graduated from Hanson Memorial High School in Franklin, Louisiana. She attended the University of Louisiana Lafayette and obtained a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the College of Education as a Speech, Language, and Hearing Specialist. Daren was chosen as the Outstanding Senior in the College of Education by Kappa Delta Pi, an educational honor society. She was a member of several

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Alison McCraw Selected as Hancock County School District Administrator of the Year for 2019

SEA COAST ECHO

Alison McCraw, Assistant Principal of East Hancock Elementary, has been named Hancock County School District Administrator of the Year for 2019. Mrs. McCraw earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education in 1993 from Mississippi State University. She later returned to school and earned her Master of Science in Education in the area of Educational Leadership from Arkansas State University. She has worked in the education field for over twenty-five years and has served as the Assistant Principal of East Hancock Elementary for the past six year.

Alison is a dedicated and experienced educator committed to academic excellence. During her years in education, she has welcomed every opportunity to make a positive impact on the students she



Alison McCraw

serves. She is an outstanding educator and has proven very successful both as a teacher and an administrator. She believes that education is the foundation that children will

build their lives upon and believes it is her job to prepare children to live successfully in the world, teaching them to love learning so that they will continue to seek knowl-

edge throughout the rest of their lives. As an administrator, three programs impacting student achievement have been initiated by Mrs. McCraw. She initiated performance-based classrooms, departmentalization in third through fifth grades, and the formation of a VEX IQ Robotics Team. All of these initiatives were based on research and they have all been successful in increasing student achievement.

Mrs. McCraw has received many other awards for her outstanding work in education. These awards include a Certificate of Excellence from the Naval Construction Battalion, East Hancock Elementary School Teacher of the Year, and an Excellence in Teaching Award from the Rotary Club. In 2015, East Hancock Elementary was named a National Blue-Ribbon School. Having served as a teacher and an administrator, Alison's

contributions to East Hancock were instrumental in the school receiving this honor.

Alison is an active member of her community. She works with Hancock County Excel by 5 in hosting the annual Art and Science Night held at E.H.E., and also with the Rubber Ducky Summer Reading Program. She has also assisted in many fundraisers to support the Tired Dog Rescue organization. This group fosters unwanted pets, provides medical care and aids in getting animals adopted into loving homes. As a member of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Mississippi State University Alumni Chapter, she has also participated in local beach clean-ups, KaBoom playground builds, and the annual scholarship draw-down fundraiser.

Having been an educator for over twenty-five years, Alison believes her greatest contribution and accomplishment to be that

of teaching students to read. As a first grade teacher for twenty years, she has been responsible for giving over five hundred children the gift of reading. Alison shared, "It has been a joy to watch students enter the classroom as nonreaders and leave as confident, independent readers." By being an administrator at the same school where she previously taught, Alison has been able to keep track of the performance of past students and continues to enjoy watching them grow. Recently, a former first grade student of hers was hired as a teacher at E.H.E. The former student shared with her that it she was the reason she had chosen to become a teacher. "What an honor it is to have played such an integral role in shaping someone's future," Mrs. McCraw stated.

Mrs. McCraw will be recognized by the Hancock County Board of Education at a luncheon.

Loiacano winning 1st Place in the IV Annual Gulf Coast Steinway Society Piano and Concerto Competition

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Gabriella Loiacano, native of Bay St. Louis and a senior piano performance major at University of Mobile, competed in the IV Annual Gulf Coast Steinway Society Piano and Concerto Competition in Mobile, AL, on January 19 and won 1st place in the college concerto division.

As the winner in her division, Loiacano will have the privilege of performing her concerto on September 8, 2019, with

the Gulf Coast Steinway Society Orchestra at Mobile's Murphy High School Auditorium under the direction of guest conductor Maestro Claire Fox Hillard of the Albany Symphony Orchestra. Gabriella, a former student of Carol Mahler at Hidden Acres Music School in Pass Christian, studies at University of Mobile's Alabama School of the Arts with Steinway Artist Dr. Kadesha Onalbayeva and will graduate this May. She will perform her solo Senior Piano Recital on March 28 at 7:00pm in

Moorer Auditorium at UM and has been accepted to continue her studies next fall at UM to earn a master's degree in piano performance. The GCCS competition involved over 50 musicians (middle school through college age) from all the Gulf States with piano division winners receiving cash prizes and the top three concerto winners in each division given a prized opportunity to perform with a professional orchestra.



Photo submitted
From left, Mrs. Christy Broussard Meyers, owner of the Steinway Gallery, Spanish Fort, AL; Gabriella Loiacano, 1st Place winner College Concerto Division; Dr. Kadesha Onalbayeva, Steinway Artist and Director of Piano Studies at University of Mobile.

Happy Chinese New Year

BY LINDA BIGLER
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Just when you have recovered from the festivities of celebrating a new year, it is time to celebrate another one.

The Chinese New Year begins on February 5th and this year is the year of the boar or pig. The Chinese zodiac consists of twelve animals with each animal having their own year. One legend says that an emperor of China invited all of the animals in his kingdom to a feast, but only twelve loyal animals attended. The emperor decided to honor each of these faithful animals by giving them their own year. In addition to these animals having their own year, they each have specific characteristics. The rat was the first animal to arrive at the banquet; therefore he was given the first year. The poor pig overslept, so he was given the last year; at least he made it to the feast.

The pig is a symbol of wealth and males born in the year of the pig are considered to be optimistic, goal oriented, and hospitable. Women born in that year are believed to have the traits of social butterflies, hardworking individuals, and loving mothers. The best mates for those born in the year of the boar are those born in the year of the tiger, rabbit, or goat. They should think twice before marrying someone who is born in the year of the snake or the monkey.

The twelve animals of the Chinese zodiac in chronological order are the rat, the oxen, the tiger, the rabbit, the dragon, the snake, the horse, the goat, the monkey, the rooster, the dog, and the rat.

Those born in 1935, 1947, 1953, 1971, 1983, 1995, 2007, and 2019 are indeed born in the year of the boar.

Here are a few Chinese dishes to help bring in the Chinese New Year. The key to successfully cooking Chinese food is to have all of your ingredients prepared in advance. The culinary term is mise en place which is French for having all of your ingredients in place prior to cooking. Sorry, once a culinary instructor, always a culinary instructor.

The first recipe is a quick soup and the ingredients can be easily doubled.

Use the less expensive claw meat instead of the pricy lump.

Velvet Corn Soup Su Mi T'ang

- 2 egg whites
- 2 tablespoons milk
- 1 quart chicken stock
- 1 eight ounce can creamed corn
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch dissolved in two tablespoons chicken stock
- 8 ounces crab meat
- Beat egg whites until frothy; then beat in milk.
- Bring the stock to a boil, add corn and salt and return to a boil. Reduce to a simmer and stir in the cornstarch mixture. Stir until soup thickens.
- Remove from heat and immediately pour in egg white mixture; stirring only once.
- Pour into a serving bowl and fold in crab. Serve at once.

It is imperative that you use day old rice for fried rice or at least rice that has been cooked and chilled in the refrigerator. Other proteins such as shrimp, chopped ham, or chicken can be added to the dish.

EASY FRIED RICE

- 4 slices bacon, chopped
- 2 eggs, beaten
- 4 to 6 cups, day old, cooked rice
- 2 to 3 tablespoons soy sauce
- 2 green onions, sliced thin, both green and white parts

Fry bacon until crisp, drain and set aside

Remove all but 2 tablespoons of bacon fat from pan.

Scramble eggs in hot bacon fat; breaking into small pieces. Add rice and toss to coat. Pour soy sauce over rice, toss, and heat rice through. Add bacon and green onions; combine and serve at once.

Serves 6

Successfully cooking Chinese food does not require a wok; a large deep skillet will suffice. Just make sure the pan is extremely hot before adding the oil and solid ingredients. The Chinese cooks have a saying, "Hot wok, cold oil."

Stir-Fried Chicken with Mushrooms Mo Ku Chi Pien

- 2 boneless, skinless chicken breasts
- 2 teaspoons cornstarch

- 1 egg white
- 1 tablespoon rice wine or dry sherry
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 4 ounces fresh snow peas, strings removed
- 4 tablespoons cup peanut oil
- 8 ounces fresh mushrooms, sliced
- 2 slices fresh ginger
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch dissolved in one fourth cup chicken stock

Shred chicken breast and toss with cornstarch, egg white, wine and salt; set aside. Heat wok or deep skillet, add the oil and stir-fry ginger for about 2 minutes. Remove ginger and discard. Add snow peas, stir-fry about one minute and remove from pan. Stir-fry mushrooms for about 2 minutes and remove from wok. Return pan to high heat. Add half the chicken mixture and stir-fry until it turns white. Remove from pan and repeat with remaining chicken. Return all the chicken to the hot pan. Stir cornstarch mixture and pour over chicken and toss.

Add all remaining ingredients to pan and toss to heat through

Serves 4 to 6

STIR-FRIED BROCCOLI

- 1 and one half to 2 pounds broccoli
- 2 tablespoons peanut oil
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 2 tablespoons chicken stock
- 1 teaspoon cornstarch dissolved in 1 tablespoon cold chicken stock

Wash broccoli, remove flowerets from the stem and place in a bowl. Remove tough bottoms from the stems, peel the remaining stems, and diagonally slice the stems into 1 inch pieces; place in another bowl. Heat wok or pan then add oil and drop in the stems; stir-fry for about one minute. Add the flowerets and stir-fry for an additional minute.

Add the salt, sugar and 2 tablespoons chicken stock; tossing to combine. Cover the pan and cook for about 2 minutes. Remove the lid and add the cornstarch mixture; stir-fry until the broccoli is coated with a clear glaze.

Serve at once
Serves 6

It does not matter if you are a pig, a monkey, or a snake; these dishes are sure to please your palate.

Open Call to All Creative Minds

SEA COAST ECHO

Gallery 220 Main will hold an Animal Hat Contest during the February 9th Second Saturday Art Walk in Old Town Bay St. Louis. Calling those of all ages to create a hat, head band or mask featuring your favorite animal. It can be any animal and should be an original, hand-crafted piece. There is no cost to enter and judging will take place in the gallery at 6:00pm. Prizes will be awarded for "Best In Show" and "Most

Original Design". This family friendly contest is in support of the Friends of Hancock County Animal Shelter.

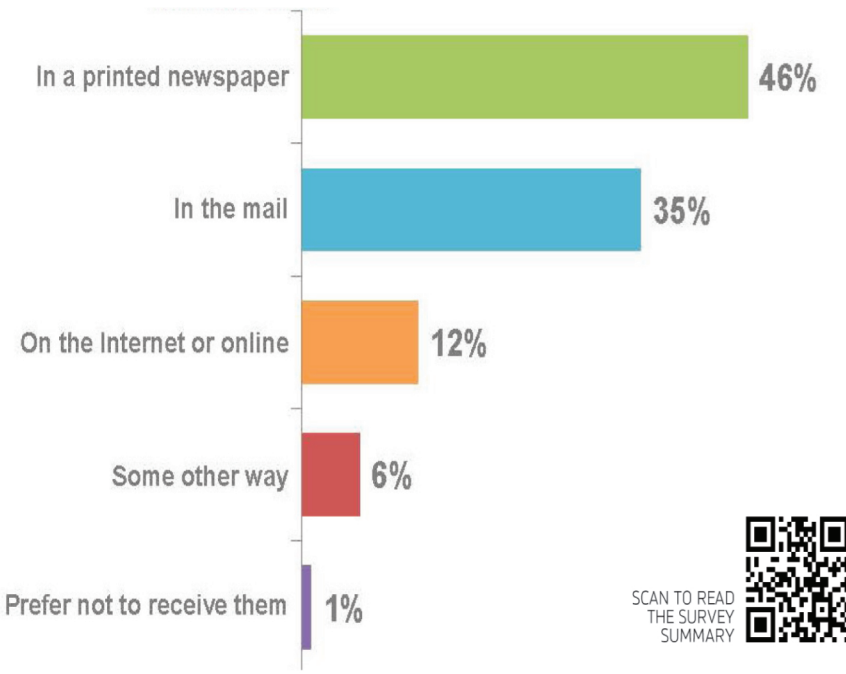
During the Saturday, Feb. 9, 2019 event at Gallery 220 Main, there will be live music, refreshments, animal-themed art and a raffle of original work from some of the galleries talented local artist. Donations for the animal shelter will also be collected. For more information visit our facebook page or call (228)466-6347 for more information.



Photo submitted
Gabriella Loiacano at the decorated piano in the Ruth's Roots garden on Court Street in Old Town Bay St. Louis

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The Community CALENDAR



February 4
• The Hancock County Board of Supervisors meets at 9 a.m. at the county annex building in Bay St. Louis.

February 5
• The Bay St. Louis City Council meets at 5:30 p.m. at council chambers on Main Street.

• The Waveland Board of Mayor and Aldermen meet at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall on Coleman Avenue.

February 7
• The Hancock County Women's Club will meet on Thursday Feb. 7, at Stennis Airport, 2nd floor Multi-Purpose Room. The Meet & Greet is at 10:30 a.m. with the meeting starting at 11 a.m. There will be a Dutch Treat lunch immediately following. All are invited.

February 8
• The Bay-Waveland Garden Club will celebrate Arbor Day 2019, at the Waveland Ground Zero Museum on Friday, Feb. 8, at noon with the donation and planting of a Satsuma tree for the museum grounds. All are welcome to attend.

February 9
• The Budweiser Clydesdales will be making a tour of the Mississippi Gulf Coast, and they're stopping in Bay St. Louis on February 9 (Second Saturday Art Walk). The parade will begin at 5 p.m. at the Depot and will continue through downtown.

February 10
• St. Monica Guild of Trinity Episcopal Church in Pass Christian, announces its 89th Silver Valentine Tea which will be held on from 3 to 5 p.m. at 765 East Scenic Drive, in Pass Christian at the home of Carroll and Dale Mathews. We invite all Coast residents, tourists, and those interested to join us on Sunday, Feb. 10, for a wonderful afternoon," guild members said in a press release. "Refreshments at the Silver Tea will consist of sweet and savory home-

made treats, wine, coffee, and tea." The Silver Tea is an annual fundraiser given to support the many ministries of St. Monica's Guild of Trinity Episcopal Church. There is no charge to attend the tea; however donations are requested and appreciated. All monies collected will be distributed to the many charities supported by the Guild.

February 14
• Bay St. Louis Little Theatre will present annual Valentine Show on Thursday, February 14th at 7pm. An evening of love songs, love poems, and romantic skits. Catering by LuLu's. Enjoy a romantic evening of dining and romancing. Seating limited. Details and reservations at www.bsltl.org or call 228-467-9024.

February 15
• Have a hankering for the blues? Come hear a driving force for contemporary blues, blues musician Lucious Spiller from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Join us at the 100 Men Hall to groove to a truly gifted singer, songwriter, Lucious Spiller. Lucious is an International Blues Challenge award winner and has been featured in the documentary film, Moonshine, and Mojo Hands. He has frequented the KFFA "King Biscuit Time" radio show, performed on the Thacker Mountain Radio Hour, been featured on National Public Radio (NPR) and helped begin the inaugural Americana Blues Triangle tour. Lucious has inspired, influenced, instructed, and encouraged many up and coming blues artists such as Seth Freeman, Christone "Kingfish" Ingram, Zack Bramhall, Heather Crosse, and Akeem Kemp. Tickets for Lucious Spiller are \$10 in advance and can be purchased here: <https://the100menhall.com/products/10-lucious-spiller> or \$15 at the door.

February 16
• Children's Sign Language Workshop at the Crosby Arboretum, located at 370 Ridge Rd., Picayune from 10 to 11 a.m. and 2 to 3 p.m. Have you ever want-

ed to communicate with the non-hearing or nonverbal person? Learn basic ASL signs to communicate with others. In this workshop with Kim Johnson kids will learn some basics of sign language such as "What is your name?" "My name is..." "Want to play?" "Do you need help?" and more. Each child will receive handouts to help them remember what they have just learned. Refreshments and snacks served. \$2 per member child; non-member \$4. Must be accompanied by parent/guardian (adults, no charge). For more information, contact Arboretum staff at 601-799-2311.

• MAP's next big adventure is a Masquerade Ball for Kids at 4 p.m. at the Ground Zero Museum, 335 Coleman Avenue, Waveland, MS. MAP, Music, Arts and Practicality, thought it might be fun for kids to join in the fun and learn firsthand some of the traditions of Mardi Gras. The Royal Court will be chosen from the attendees promptly at 4:30pm. A Royal March will ensue. The New Orleans favorite Crawfish Monica(\$7) be served as well as Chicken Nuggets(\$5) for the kids, of course. Beverages, salad and dessert are included. Costumes are not required but strongly encouraged. Parents and friends are invited. There is no admission fee but reservations are required because of space limitations and food service. Come spend a Mardi Gras experience in Waveland with your kids. Music and fun are part of the festivities. For reservations or more info: mapkids.hancock@gmail.com or 251-978-3750. Find us on Facebook: Mapkids-Hancock County.

February 19
• 100 Men Hall Celebrates Black History Month with a Film Festival. Tonight's film begins at 7 p.m. and is "Traces of the Trade: Stories from the Deep North." The event is open to the public.

February 20
• 100 Men Hall Celebrates Black History Month with a Film Festival. Tonight's film begins at 7 p.m. and is "Slavery by Another Name." The event is open to the public.

February 21
• 100 Men Hall Celebrates Black History Month with a Film Festival. Tonight's film begins at 7 p.m. and is "13th." The event is open to the public.

February 23
• Native Plant Field Walk at the Crosby Arboretum, located at 370 Ridge Rd., Picayune from 1 to 2 p.m. Join Arboretum director Pat Drackett on a field walk to explore plants in the winter landscapes. Osn our journey we will discuss native plants for the winter garden and their landscape uses, as well as those having a high wildlife value. Bring your camera and dress for walking. Members free; non-members \$5. For more information, contact Arboretum staff at 601-799-2311.

• The VFW Auxiliary Post 3253 will host the 7th annual open car show/fund raiser to benefit its veterans' programs. Registration is from 8 a.m. until noon on the day of the show. Registration fee is \$25. Dash plaques for first 50 vehicles. Top 25 cars. Top 5 trucks. Best of Show. Six specialty awards. Participant voting. Awards at 2 p.m. Food. Prizes. 50/50 raffle. Silent and live auction. For more information, contact Bobby at 228-493-2033 or bslchief@yahoo.com.

March 2
• Celebrate the History of Mardi Gras on Saturday, March 2, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the 100 Men Hall with soulful music and food and good times. The 100 Men Hall was the epicenter of African American Mardi Gras in Bay Saint Louis. Back in the day this joint was jumping. Come find out why. Groove to the soulful

sounds of Mississippi's Golden Coast hottest band, Unfazed, on stage at this historical music venue. Dine on good for your soul food by Chef Chris Hayes, a Food Network star and the owner of The Smoking Oyster. Hear stories from local resident, Golden Fairconnetue about her own family history of Mardi Gras at the 100 Men Hall.

March 10
• The Silver Slipper presents Gal Holiday & The Honky Tonk Revue for a Honky Tonkin afternoon at the 100 Men Hall from noon to 4 p.m. Watch our mural being painted, pottery by the Mad Potter of Bay Saint Louis, and enjoy delicious eats by Chef Hayes and Pop Brothers. Tickets for Gal Holiday

are \$15 in advance at <https://the100menhall.com/products/12-a-honky-tonkin-afternoon-at-100-men-hall> and \$20 at the door.

May 4
• The Relay for Life event will be held from 1 to 8 p.m. at the Hollywood Casino. Learn more at www.relay-forlife.org/hancockms.

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Elinor is an energetic, playful, 1 year old Belgian Malinois mix. She is also very affectionate, and often gives full body hugs. From what we've learned about Elinor, we recommend that she join a home with a secure fenced backyard, and that she be supervised at all times until it is established that she cannot/will not jump the fence or open the latch. Yes, she is that smart! She is quite a "leggy" gal, and she could easily clear a chain link fence if she wanted to. Additionally, she will require daily exercise to ensure she remains a healthy, happy girl, so extended kenneling and a lethargic lifestyle is not for Elinor. Lastly, we recommend that she join a family with middle school aged children or older. She would be great buddy for adventurous, outdoorsy type kids who would romp-n-play with Elinor and spend quality time with her. The same would be true if she finds her forever home with a single person or couple. She will need lots of love, training, and active companionship. This sweet girl is incredibly friendly with other dogs, regardless of size or demeanor, but we are unsure how she feels about cats. Elinor loves squeaky toys and plastic bottles. (Don't leave your soda bottles laying around, or they're fair game for this thief.) Speaking of thievery, Elinor is quite smart and sly, and will steal what she wants in minutes. It's a trait best put to use as means of giving her a job she can be proud of. She is a "working breed," and carrying or retrieving items for her owner would be a constructive way of directing her talents and energy. Please consider opening your home and heart to Elinor. She has so much to offer in the way of unconditional love and friendship. Call 466 4516 for more information, or visit Elinor in person at the shelter, 7175 Texas Flat Rd, Kiln. You will surely fall in love with her beauty and her winning personality. Visit our Facebook page, Hancock County Animal Shelter, MS, to see more pictures of Elinor, and of the many other wonderful, adoptable animals looking for their forever homes.

Looking for Veterans to compete in local Creative Arts Competition

SEA COAST ECHO

The Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System will hold its annual Veterans Creative Arts Competition on March 6-7, 2019, at Biloxi VAMC Recreation Hall, Bldg. 17, to highlight the artwork, creative writing and musical talents of area veterans.

Veterans enrolled for care at any of the GCVHCS sites may enter in art, music, dance and writing categories. Art categories include painting, sculpture, drawing, photography, wood, leather, model kits and pottery. Performance categories include dance (including wheelchair dance), drama, solo and group vocal and instrumental acts, vocal original compositions, and special recognition. Veterans may also submit creative writing entries to include essays, poetry and short stories.

To enter, applications must be postmarked or hand delivered by 12 noon, February 19, 2019 to the following address:

Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System
c/o Laura Throop – Routing # 135
400 Veterans Avenue
Biloxi, MS 39531

Hand deliver to: Laura Throop, Bldg. 17, 2nd Floor, Room # 2B100

The festival provides veterans the opportunity to participate in creative self-expression in art and performance and to gain recognition. Local artists, musicians and writers will judge the creative entries and determine places in each category. First-place finishers will advance to the national level competition, where they will compete against veterans from other Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) facilities around the country. Some of the first place winners from the national competition will be invited to attend the National Veterans Creative Arts Festival.

For more information, contact Sward Brooke at (228) 523-5903, Laura Throop, (228) 523-5038 or Bobbi Hakanson, (228) 233-7348.





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BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Katherine G. Johnson: The Human Computer



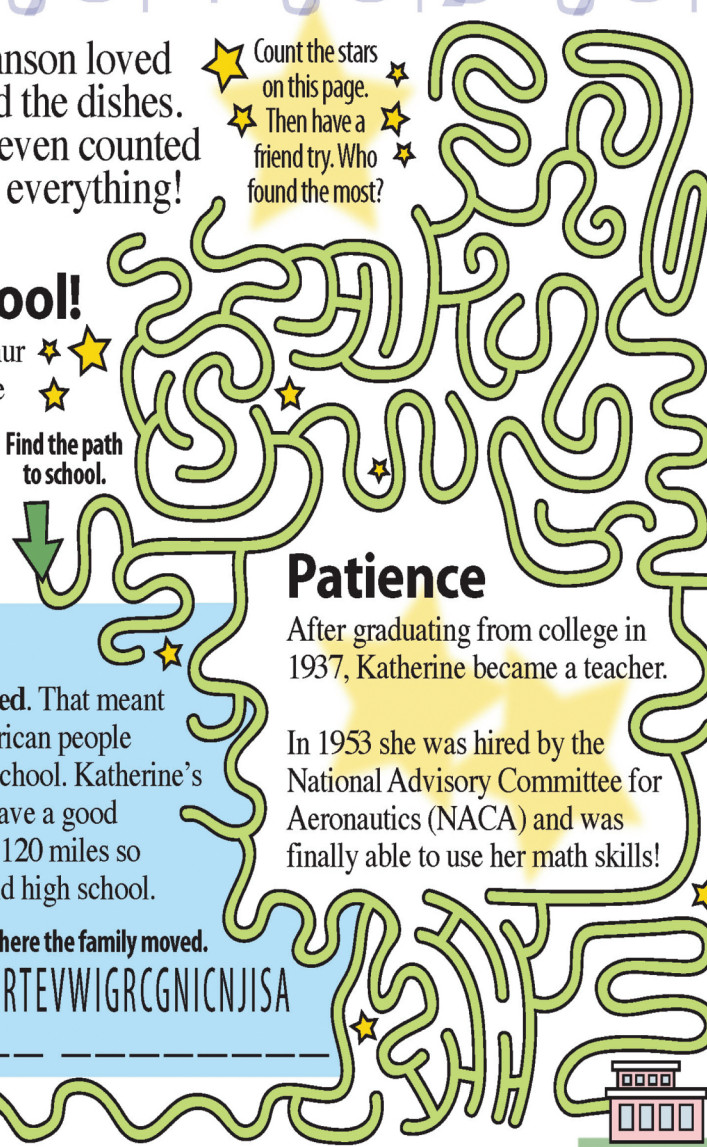
As a child, Katherine Johnson loved to count. She counted the dishes. She counted the steps. She even counted stones. She simply counted everything!

Count the stars on this page. Then have a friend try. Who found the most?

Let Me Go to School!

Katherine was born in White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia. She was the youngest of four children and she couldn't wait to join her siblings at school! She used to follow them as they walked to school.

Find the path to school.



Hard Work

Katherine said it was hard work to be good at math and her other subjects. And work hard she did. She skipped two grades in elementary school, and went on to get degrees in mathematics and French.

Determination

Katherine's community was **segregated**. That meant there were many places African-American people couldn't go, including the local high school. Katherine's parents were so determined that she have a good education that they moved the family 120 miles so Katherine and her siblings could attend high school.

Circle every other letter to discover where the family moved.

KIDNUSWTVIBTCUZNEMWQEFSTRTEVWIGRCGNICNJISA

- ▲ = A
- = D
- ★ = E
- ✕ = H
- ▣ = L
- = N
- ▤ = P
- ▥ = R
- ✓ = S

Curiosity

Because of her intelligence, curiosity, and positive attitude, Katherine was asked to work on many different projects. When NACA turned its attention to space flight, it changed its name to NASA (National Aeronautics and Space Administration).

Katherine was asked to work on the complicated math problems that would establish the flight path for the spacecraft that would take the first American into space and back in 1961. Use the code to discover his name.



The Human Computer

In 1953, computers were not as good as they are today and mathematicians, who were called "computers," did the math needed for flight research.



How fast did Friendship 7 travel in its 4 hour and 56 minute flight? Do the math!

5,500
5,500
+ 6,000
miles per hour

Count the Numbers

Take one page of the newspaper and circle all of the numbers you can find. Then, count the number of numbers! What do the different numbers show?

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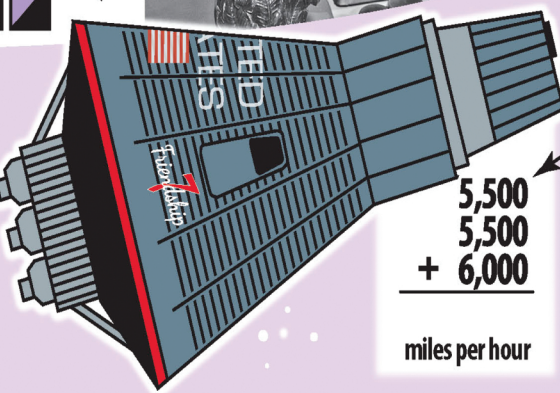
Persistence

Replace the missing words.

MOON ASKING MEETINGS HOME WORKING

When Katherine was _____ at NASA, women were not allowed in the spaceflight meetings. She kept _____ if she could go, even asking if there was a _____ against it. Her persistence paid off and she was finally invited to attend all _____.

Over time, even though electronic _____ took on more work at NASA, Johnson remained highly valued for her accuracy. She performed calculations for John Glenn's successful orbits _____.



around Earth in Friendship 7 in 1962, as well as the Apollo 11 and 13 flights to the _____.

Working on these manned flight paths was stressful. Katherine knew that if her calculations were off by even a few feet or seconds, the astronauts might not make it _____!

Standards Link: Students use strategies to understand literary passages

Kid Scoop Puzzler

Humility

Katherine won many awards and made history for the space program, for women's rights and for racial equality. But she always remained humble. She quoted her father. Replace the vowels to find out what her father would tell her.

"Y__ AR_ AS G__D
AS _NYB_DY. B_T
Y__'RE N_ B_TT_R."

Standards Link: Follow simple written directions.

Double Double Word Search

KATHERINE
CURIOSITY
POSITIVE
ACCURACY
COMPUTER
COUNTED
DISHES
ORBIT
SPACE
STEPS
WHITE
MATH
PATH
FOUR

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

D K S P A C E W E A
E W H I T E V N R C
T Y T I S O I R U C
N M B A D R T T O U
U R P H E I I E F R
O M A H A T S I E A
C H T A M I O H A C
N A H S T E P S E Y
K R E T U P M O C S

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Kid Scoop Together:

Awards and Honors

To discover if the following statements are TRUE or FALSE, do the math. TRUE statements will have an even-numbered answer. FALSE statements will have an odd-numbered answer.

Katherine Johnson was given a flag that had gone to the moon. (18 + 4 =)

☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE

A building is named after her at NASA's Research Center in Virginia. (24 - 6 =)

☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE

Katherine Johnson won a gold medal in the 1960 Winter Olympics. (3 + 2 =)

☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE

President Obama gave her the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2015 when she was 97. (28 - 8 =)

☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE

She saw her story brought to light through the book and movie *Hidden Figures*. (4 + 4 + 4 =)

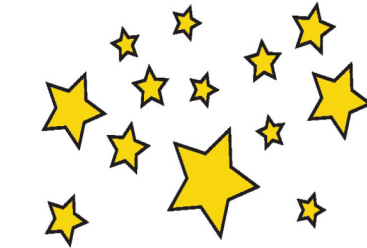
☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE

Katherine Johnson graduated college at the age of 18, the age most people graduate high school. (6 + 4 + 4 =)

☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE

As a young student, Katherine would complete her homework and then help her older siblings with their homework. (15 + 5 =)

☐ TRUE ☐ FALSE



Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **PERSISTENCE**

The noun **persistence** means to keep working at something in spite of difficulties or obstacles.

With persistence, the volunteers were able to clean the creek.

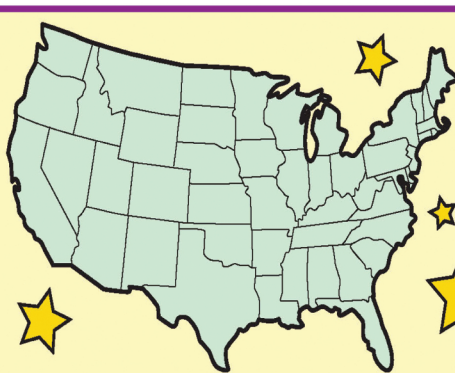
Use the word **persistence** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family.

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Find a Story of Character

Katherine Johnson had many character traits that led to her successes. Look through the newspaper for an article about a successful person and make a list of character traits that help to make that person so successful.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.



What State has the most math teachers?

ANSWER: MATHCHUSSETTS!

Write On!

Mission Possible

If it were possible to be anything in the world, what would you want to be? What would you do if this happened to come true?

DEVOTIONAL PAGE

HIDING IN YOUR SHELL WILL EVENTUALLY BE YOUR DEMISE

BY GARY ANDREWS
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My wife and I do seatbelt observations for the "Click It or Ticket It Campaign" in our home state. As we sit by the side of the road we notice many interesting people. We are there to check for seat belt usage and cell phone usage, however on many occasions, we can almost see the personality of that driver as they go past us. Not many people recognize what we are doing because they are in a hurry, they have other things on their mind, they are talking with their passenger(s) or on their phone or other reasons. The ones that do recognize what we are doing will put their seat belt on, if they don't have it on already, or simply smile and wave. I remember one day, it was kind of slow that day, that a turtle had crawled into the street. Maybe it's destination was getting to the other side to which had trees, grass, and was kind of a marsh type environment. I can only imagine that the turtle was headed to a better place and leaving the side of the road that was only hot pavement and concrete sidewalks. I was amazed as I watched the turtle inch its way across the road and when a car or truck would pass by, it would cover itself with its shell until it felt safe again to move forward. Many of us in the world today act just as this turtle did. When we see things that we don't like or we see something that is potentially harmful to us, we will go into our protec-

tive shell until the problem has passed us by. We find ourselves not wanting to face everyday issues and would rather hide in our shell and let someone else handle the problem. As we travel down life's roadway we are going to experience many people that are sensitive to our needs and will either go around us or stop to help us. We are going to come face to face with people that don't care about anyone but themselves and they will not notice you and hurt you if you let them. We are a lot like the turtle. We feel that we have earthly protectors that will keep us away from harm and not realize that Jesus Christ is the only protection that we can count on. What we have on earth will perish but if we know Jesus personally we will experience eternal life. We need to also remember the famous quote of Will Rogers, "Even if you're on the right track, you'll get run over if you just sit there." The turtle was headed to a better environment but sat in the middle of the road several minutes. The drivers with a caring and watchful eye would notice it and avoid running over it, however one person drove by that was so preoccupied with her phone and texting that she ran over the turtle and never knew it. All of us need to realize that hiding in our earthly shells brings us certain death but trusting in Jesus as our Lord and Savior provides us with eternal life.

SUGGESTED DAILY BIBLE READINGS

SUNDAY
Obadiah 3:4

MONDAY
Romans 51:11

TUESDAY
Jeremiah 49:7-10

WEDNESDAY
Colossians 1:3-27

THURSDAY
Isaiah 32:1-8

FRIDAY
I Peter 1:3-9

SATURDAY
Psalm 16:6-9

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CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:19-CV-32-MA
EXECUTOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
LETTERS TESTAMENTARY HAVING BEEN GRANTED ON THE 30TH DAY OF JANUARY 30, 2019, BY THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI TO THE UNDERSIGNED UPON THE ESTATE OF HADEN T. BRASHIER, JR. DECEASED, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST SAID ESTATE TO PRESENT THE SAME TO THE CLERK OF SAID COURT FOR PROBATE AND REGISTRATION ACCORDING TO LAW WITHIN NINETY (90) DAYS FROM THIS DATE, OR THEY WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.
THIS 2ND DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2019.
s/NANCY ANN BRASHIER
THE CASANO LAW FIRM, P.A.
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02/02; 02/09; 02/16/19

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION DIAMONDHEAD, MS

Purcell Company represented by Kenneth Jones has filed an application requesting to change the current zoning district classification from PFR (Public Facilities and Recreation) to R-2 (Medium Density Single Family) in accordance with the Zoning Ordinance (Article 2.8) for the purpose of constructing homes for residential sale. The tax parcel number is 132A-2-03-026.007. The property is located north of and adjacent to Diamondhead Drive East, east of Diamondhead Drive North and north of the DHPQA Community Center. The case file number 201900036. In accordance with the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance Article 2.8.2, the Planning Commission shall review and submit a recommendation to the City Council on Text Amendments and Rezoning. In accordance with the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance Article 2.8.4, the mayor and city council shall examine all such applications, reports, and recommendations transmitted to it and shall take such further action as it deems necessary and desirable to approve, disapprove, modify, or remand to the Planning Commission for further consideration. No land for which an application for reclassification has been denied by the mayor and city council shall be considered again by the Planning Commission or the mayor and city council for the same classification for at least one (1) year from the date such application was denied. The Planning and Zoning Commission will consider this application at its next regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, February 26, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. The public hearing will be held at Diamondhead City Hall in the Council Chambers at 5000 Diamondhead Circle in Diamondhead, MS 39525. Interested members of the public are invited to attend. If you have any questions or comments or would like to review the application, you may contact the Building Department at the above address and/or at 228-222-4626. 02/02/19

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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DOROTHY GROSS, DECEASED TIMOTHY GROSS PETITIONER
CAUSE NO.: 23CH1:18-CV-00646-JP
ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE TO CREDITORS
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HANCOCK
LETTERS TESTAMENTARY HAVING BEEN GRANTED ON THE 17TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2019, BY THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI TO THE UNDERSIGNED UPON THE ESTATE OF DOROTHY GROSS, DECEASED, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST SAID ESTATE TO PRESENT THE SAME TO THE CLERK OF SAID COURT FOR PROBATE AND REGISTRATION ACCORDING TO LAW WITHIN NINETY (90) DAYS FROM THIS DATE, OR THEY WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.
THIS 26TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2019.
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HANCOCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ONE OR MORE ELECTRONIC POLL BOOKS AND PERIPHERAL EQUIPMENT FOR ELECTRONIC POLLBOOK SYSTEM

ALL BIDS DUE
February 19, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.
Hancock County Board of Supervisors Office
845 Highway 90, Suite A
Bay St. Louis, MS 39520
ALL BIDS MUST BE SIGNED - NO EXCEPTIONS

Hancock County, Mississippi, is seeking bids for one or more Electronic Poll Books (EPB) and Peripheral Equipment for an Electronic Poll Book System. The purchase is being funded through a Help America Vote Act. The Electronic Poll Books must be compatible with the TSX Voting machines that the county currently uses for elections and shall be compliant with all requirements of the Help America Vote Act, including without limitation the handicap accessibility requirements, and shall have a device or mechanism that allows any votes cast to be verified by paper audit trail.

Hancock County interfaces with the Mississippi Statewide Voter Registration System. The Mississippi Statewide Voter Registration System will be the source of all information necessary for loading Electronic Poll Books (EPB) and will be the collection point for voter history from polling places using EPB's. To accomplish this, the winning bidder shall provide a file format for use in transfer of information between their EPB System and the Mississippi Statewide Voter Registration System.

Minimum Requirements for Bidders to provide as the Electronic Poll Book System: Provide information necessary to verify voters' identity

Allow for a search based on name, address, and Voter ID

Where multiple EPB's are deployed at the same voting site, prevent a voter from signing in at different stations

Provide a means for updating the Mississippi Statewide Voter Registration System. Be secure from unauthorized access.

Operate on battery power during power outages.

Provide a means of directing voters to the correct polling place anywhere in the county

Support a countywide and statewide voter list

Install and search a street file by street name, address, and zip code

Be capable of networking Multiple EPB's that are located in a single voting location

Automatically program AccuVote TSX Voter Access Cards with the correct ballot style for each validated voter. Describe in detail what hardware and software is required to accomplish this capability.

Generate interim reports without suspending registration operations

Provide a means of quickly recovering data from an EPB that has failed during operations

Allow for override of the system if the voter is considered having voted but poll workers know that the voter has not yet voted

System must maintain information on advanced ballots requested and returned

Provide capability for the initial lookup step to be limited to just voters in the precinct location where the EPB is located

Touch screen capability is required and must be reflected in your system pricing

EPB shall redundantly store voter validation data

EPB shall support electronic signature capture. Describe how a voter's digital signature is captured using your system.

EPB shall provide images of voter signatures stored in the Mississippi Statewide Voter Registration System

Provide estimates of how long it would take to load an EPB with data

EPB system must provide capability to employ the use of hand held devices for voter check in

EPB shall have capability to read the bar code on a voter registration card that contains the voter ID number

EPB shall allow for voter history to be quickly and accurately uploaded into the Mississippi Statewide Voter Registration System

EPB shall provide polling place information for voters who appear at the wrong location

EPB shall have capability to time stamp significant activities such as time of voter check in

EPB must be able to produce all reports while the election is still underway and after it has closed

EPD must be capable of providing a list of all validated voters in each respective precinct on an optional EPB printer immediately following the close of the polls on Election Day. Provide a sample list of this.

Winning bidder must offer onsite troubleshooting service on Election Day. Attach current cost figures.

Data Transfer

As part of this bid, vendors are required to provide a means for transfer of data between the Mississippi Statewide Voter Registration System and their EPB System. The following are required:

The EPB system shall provide a simple means of downloading voter and election data from the Mississippi Statewide Voter Registration System to the EPB system.

The EPB system shall provide a simple means of uploading voter history information collected at polling locations by the EPBs to the Mississippi Statewide Voter Registration System so that the voter history can be uploaded.

Security

The system shall provide the following security features to prevent unauthorized use.

The EPB System shall provide a record of the following:

1. The program and version in use

2. The election file in use

Describe how security is managed with the EPB including but not limited to:

1. User access control features

2. Data encryption

THE FOLLOWING REQUIRED EQUIPMENT, SOFTWARE, AND SERVICES SHALL BE INCLUDED IN VENDOR'S BASE PER-UNIT ELECTRONIC POLL BOOK BID:

Electronic Poll Book with barcode scanning and signature capture capabilities

Tablet Tester

Micro-SD card

Power brick

10-foot USB power cord

Carrying case

Stylus

EPB software required for operation

Loading of software on EPB

Rotating stand for EPB

Smart Card Reader/Writer with cable

Shipping

Acceptance testing

VENDORS SHALL ALSO SUBMIT PER-UNIT BIDS OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT FOR THE ELECTRONIC POLL BOOK:

16-Tablet Desktop Charging/Sync Station

Thermal Printer - prints on thermal paper.

Minimum paper width is 76mm. Rechargeable battery with minimum eight hours of battery life per charge. Li-ion battery.

Magnetic Stripe Reader - Capable of reading the magnetic stripe on the Mississippi Driver's License.

Training and Election Assistance

The County may wish to enter into an agreement for training, EPB system setup, and election preparation assistance with the winning bidder. Hancock County will only contract with a responsible contractor possessing the ability to perform successfully under the terms and conditions of this procurement, as determined by the Supervisors and/or its selection committee. The

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County's selection committee will consider technical issues as relates to the proposals received and the grant requirements and may obtain assistance with this review in its discretion. Bidders shall provide its pricing on the following equipment and services: Types and costs of equipment provided, with technical specifications and warranty information

Basic training on the EPB system. On-site setup of the EPB system. Maintenance of the system before during and after use in elections.

Loading of data for an election System security to include safeguards to prevent and detect tampering

Process to upload voter history and other required information to the Mississippi Statewide Voter Registration System after an election is completed

Production of reports: printing, designing, and formatting

Troubleshooting, resolution of malfunctions, and error messages

Proper storage of equipment when not in use

Ongoing training for new features

Set-up/Configuration fee per Election (shall include data analysis, delivery of sample data, delivery of final data, configuration file customization, screen customization, and options setting)

Testing/Validation (shall include validation of final record counts, baseline validation of application workflows and active functions, testing of special configuration or customer options)

Processing fee per registered voter

Poll book database update (fee per update)

Post-election voter history update (per update)

Custom VR voter history import file creation (each)

Reconversion fee (each)

Poll book screen revision (each)

Poll location map display (each)

Custom conversion per hour (per hour)

Hancock County reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive any irregularities or formalities in proposal process, and to reject any and all proposal. By submitting a proposal, the proposing entities or persons waive any right to seek damages related to their proposal, and acknowledge the County's right to reject any or all proposal, or portions thereof. Hancock County further reserves the right to accept entities or firms for only some of the services listed above. All proposals should be sealed and properly labeled "Election Equipment Bid." The County is an equal opportunity employer and contractor, and specifically solicits with this proposal small and minority firms, women's business enterprises and labor surplus area firms to submit proposals. The County will further take additional further steps to assure that such minority businesses, women's business enterprises and labor surplus area firms are used when possible, including its right to utilize any of the methods outlined in 2 CFR Section 200.321. Any contract resulting from this request for proposals will contain contract provisions including those listed in Title 2 CFR Sections 200.318-316, or otherwise required by the HAVA Grant.

Proposals shall be addressed and delivered to Eddie Favre, County Administrator, no later than 10:00 a.m. on February 19, 2019. Proposals may be mailed or hand-delivered to: Attention: Office of the County Administrator, 854-A Highway 90, Bay Saint Louis, MS 39520. Any mailed or hand-delivered proposal must actually be received by the County Administrator prior to the 10:00 a.m., February 19, 2019 deadline. The name and mailing address of the firm or individual submitting the proposal should appear on the face of the envelope. Please submit any questions you have concerning this matter via U.S. Mail, postage prepaid to Eddie Favre at 854-A Highway 90, Bay Saint Louis, MS 39520, or via email to eddie.favre@co.hancock.ms.us.

Requested by order of the Hancock County Board of Supervisors of January 7, 2019. /s/Blaine Lafontaine, President 01/26; 02/02/19

PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Waveland Planning and Zoning Commission will hold a workshop on Monday, February 25th at 6:00 PM in the Board Chamber Room in Waveland City Hall, located at 301 Coleman Ave, Waveland, to consider possible textual amendments to the Current Zoning Ordinance (Ordinance #349).

The Sections of the Zoning Ordinance that will be reviewed for possible amendments include the following: Section 409 - Temporary Conditional Use of Recreational Vehicles during active residential construction; Section 408 - General Landscaping Requirements; Section 906.3 - Conditional Uses; and Section 811 - Penalties for Violation. The textual amendments and corrections primarily address fixing errors and propose adding sections and wording from Ordinances and Resolutions that have been passed by the previous and current Board of Aldermen but not currently included in the text of the Zoning Ordinance. There is also a proposal to add requirements and related wording to strengthen the application process for removal of a Protected Tree. None of the proposed amendments include any changes to current Zoning District lines or requirements for any zoning district. All of the amendments, along with related ordinances and resolutions, are available for public inspection at the Building and Zoning Office, located in City Hall on the second floor, between the hours of 8:00AM to 4:00PM.

David Drax, Zoning Official 02/02/19

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI ANDREW J. LABORIE AND JOANN B. LABORIE PLAINTIFFS VERSUS 1011 LAND DEVELOPMENT, INC., A MISSISSIPPI CORPORATION, ET ALS DEFENDANTS

CIVIL ACTION NO. 23CH1:19-CV-63-JS CHANCERY SUMMONS

TO: ALL PERSONS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LANDS, BEING SITUATED IN HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, WHICH SOLD FOR TAXES ON AUGUST 28, 1994 AND DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS, TO-WIT: S/T/R: 11-65-15W, Lot 30, WOODHAVEN WHITE CYPRESS, PARCEL NO. 041U-1-11-011.00.

ALSO being further described as follows: Lot 30, WOODHAVEN, Hancock County, Mississippi, as per official map or plat of such subdivision on file in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi as reflected on Slides A-380 and 381 of record, also in the Office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, Mississippi.

You have been made Defendants in the suit filed in Civil Action No. 23CH1:19-CV-63-JS in this Court by Andrew J. Laborie and JoAnn B. Laborie, seeking the confirmation and the quieting of a tax title in them as against you and others to the hereinbefore described real property.

You are required to mail or hand deliver a written response to the Complaint filed against you in this action unto G. Gerald Cruthird, Attorney for the Plaintiff, whose address is: P. O. Box 1056, Piquette, Mississippi, 39466.

YOUR RESPONSE MUST BE MAILED OR DELIVERED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE 2ND DAY OF FEBRUARY, A.D., 2019, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR RESPONSE IS NOT SO MAILED OR DELIVERED A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMAND IN THE COMPLAINT.

You must also file the original of your response with the Clerk of this Court within a reasonable time afterward.

ISSUED under my hand the seal of this Court, this, the 30th day of January, A.D., 2019. (SEAL)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI By: s/Bridgette Ladner, D.C.

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